REMARKS

In the Office Action mailed September 10, 2004, claims 1-25, 27-32, 34-39, and 41-43 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over the prior art. By this Amendment, claims 1, 12, 19, 23, 30, and 37 have been amended. Claims 1-43 are pending and under consideration. The Examiner's rejections are respectfully traversed.

Certified Copy of Priority Document

The Examiner has previously acknowledged the claim for the benefit of priority under 35 U.S.C. §119, but has not yet indicated whether the certified copy of the priority document has been received. The Examiner is respectfully requested to acknowledge receipt of same.

The Prior Art

U.S. Patent No. 6,216,141 to Straub et al. discusses a system and method for integrating a document into a desktop window on a client computer. More particularly, Straub discloses in column 8, lines 25-44 "The viewer 140 is a hypertext document viewer used to display hypertext documents provided from the Internet, such as HTML pages. The invention may alternatively be embodied for displaying documents from public or private computer networks, such as a computer network of a commercial on-line service or an internal corporate local area network (LAN), an Intranet or like computer network. The illustrated document 142 (referred to as a "teaser") includes a graphical image 152 of an airplane and a text headline 154 indicating that airline ticket prices have been reduced. The teaser provides only a portion of information available from a content provider and is designed to entice a user to click on the teaser so that more information relating to the teaser is displayed. The viewer 140 sequences through different teasers, displaying one at a time for a predetermined period of time and then displaying the next teaser in the sequence. As will be further described below, a user can customize the teasers displayed in the viewer."

Moreover, Straub, Figure 1, shows a high-speed main memory 40. The memory 40 is described in column 5, lines 13 to 26 and column 11, lines 17 to 28 of Straub.

Column 8, lines 39 to 41 of Straub et al. disclose that "viewer 140 sequences through different teasers, displaying one at a time for a predetermined period of time and then displaying the next teaser in the sequence."

U.S. Patent No. 5,959,621 to Nawaz et al. discloses a system and method for displaying data items in a ticker display pane on a client computer.

U.S. Patent No. 6,327,586 to Kisiel discloses a system, method, and computer program product to automate the management and analysis of heterogeneous data.

The combination of Straub and Nawaz is a system and method for integrating a document into a desktop window on a client computer, and for displaying data items in a ticker display pane on a client computer.

The combination of Straub, Nawaz, and Kisiel is a system and method for integrating a document into a desktop window on a client computer, to automate the management and analysis of heterogeneous data and for displaying data items in a ticker display pane on a client computer.

Rejections under 35 USC § 103

Rejection Based on Straub et al. and Nawaz et al.

In the Office Action mailed September 10, 2004, claims 1-25, 27-32, 34-39, and 41-43 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Straub et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,216,141) in view of Nawaz et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,959,621). This rejection is respectfully traversed and reconsideration is requested

Applicants respectfully submit that none of the foregoing reverences relied upon, either alone or in combination, discloses or suggests "a converter means for converting a representative character string of source data containing character strings into image data defined as an object," as recited in independent claim 1 of the present application.

In addition, none of the foregoing references relied upon, either alone or in combination, discloses or suggests "a storage means for storing the source data and the image data in a manner of relating these pieces of data to each other," as also recited in independent claim 1 of the present application.

Further, Straub fails to disclose or suggest that "a user selects the image data from the moving display area" and "the display means displays the selected image data on a user selected stationary display area separate from the moving display area," support for which is found in the originally filed specification at least at page 7, lines 3-11.

In the outstanding Office Action at page 3, the Examiner acknowledged that Straub "fails to teach a moving display area on the display means." The Examiner asserted that "Nawaz et al. teaches a display means having a moving display area," and cited col. 2, lines 46-53 of Nawaz. Thus, as stated above, the combination of Straub and Nawaz is a system and method for integrating a document into a desktop window on a client computer, and for displaying data items in a ticker display pane on a client computer.

The present invention, in contrast, provides a moving display area and a stationary display area separately. Further, selected image data is displayed on a stationary display area separate from the moving display area. Applicants respectfully submit that neither Straub nor Nawaz, taken alone or in combination, teaches or suggests at least these features of the present invention.

Accordingly, claim 1 and dependent claims 2-11, 21, and 22 of the present application patentably distinguish over the foregoing references relied upon.

Moreover, independent claims 12, 19, 30, and 37 of the present application recite features similar to those recited in independent claim 1, and thus, independent claims 12, 19, 30, and 37 and dependent claims 13-18, 20-29, 31-36, and 38-42 also patentably distinguish over Straub.

Further, Straub in FIG. 1 shows only a main memory 40. Straub, however, fails to discuss or suggest "storing the source data and the image data in a manner relating these pieces of data to each other," as in amended independent claim 1. Similar features are recited in amended independent claims 12, 19, 23, 30, and 37. The main memory 40 in FIG. 1 of Straub does not discuss the contents of the memory, nor of relating a source data and image data, as in amended independent claim 1 and amended independent claims 12, 19, 23, 30, and 37.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted amended independent claims 1, 12, 19, 23, 30, and 37 and each of the claims depending therefrom patentably distinguish over Straub. As

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Straub fails to teach or suggest at least the features of the present invention discussed above, Applicants respectfully submit that Straub and Nawaz, alone or in combination, fail to teach or suggest the present claimed invention.

Rejection Based on Straub et al., Nawaz et al., and Kisiel

In the Office Action mailed September 10, 2004, claims 26, 33, and 40 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Straub et al. in view of Nawaz et al. and further in view of Kisiel (U.S. Patent No. 6,327,586). This rejection is traversed and reconsideration is respectfully requested.

As discussed previously, the amended independent claims are believed to patentably distinguish over Straub and Nawaz. Accordingly, as claims 26, 33, and 40 depend from the distinguished independent claims, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 26, 33, and 40 also patentably distinguish over the foregoing references for at least the reasons set forth above.

<u>Conclusion</u>

In accordance with the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all outstanding objections and rejections have been overcome and/or rendered moot. And further, that all pending claims patentably distinguish over the prior art. Thus, there being no further outstanding objections or rejections, the application is submitted as being in condition for allowance which action is earnestly solicited.
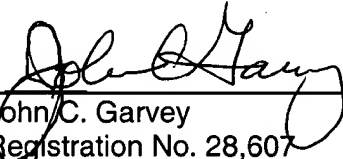
If the Examiner has any remaining issues to be addressed, it is believed that prosecution can be expedited by the Examiner contacting the undersigned attorney for a telephone interview to discuss resolution of such issues.

If there are any underpayments or overpayments of fees associated with the filing of this Amendment, please charge and/or credit the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

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